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Loveletter from
Dionaea
Toki no Yume o Mita ko

Having just entered college,
Eiko starts living on her own
in an apartment.
And then comes a letter addressed
to her Nagao Masahito,
the prince herself, followed by
letters from her friends.
She soon discovers more letters
addressed to him in her room.
The more she reads, the more
she starts to smile.



Loveletter
from... ラブレター フロム...

アルコ

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I'm really glad I became
friends with a fellow
mangaka who lives in
the neighborhood.
I burst into her place
uninvited, and we have
lunch or something
together.
Which tastes great.
What's summer fatigue?

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Loveletter

1998-2004

from...

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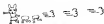


GREETINGS

Hello!
Thanks for reading,
old and new readers alike!
Aniko here.
As an author, I'm happy
that my work is being read.
To measure my happiness,
take from this end.



push push push



...to this end

Push Push Push



Not much, huh?



Maybe I should
at least try to
find a room





Whatever Corner #1

Hi there.
How are you?
It's summer now
It's hot, awfully hot.

HOT!!

Yeah.
These days, I'm
addicted to dog blogs.
They're fun.
If you know of
any good one,
please let me know.

I'm also in love with
horticulture. As in,
gardening. Let's use
simple words.
I love plants.
They're cute.
And they fill up my
balcony, so there's no
space to sit laundry.
But that's OK.



LOOKING
FOR A JOB,
BRING?



Moving
out?

YEAH,
I'M THINKING
OF MOVING
OUT.



WHAT'S
WRONG WITH
JAPANESE-
STYLE
ROOMS?

It's not
big enough
for my
sister.

YOU JUST
MOVED IN?

EASY FOR YOU
TO SAY
YOU'RE LUCKY
YOU FOUND
A SUITE
APARTMENT!

I WANT
A BETTER
PLACE.





AND I FOUND THE PERFECT JOB!

HOW ABOUT YOU MOVE INTO MY PLACE?

YOU KNOW, IF YOU WANT TO MOVE OUT THAT BADLY...



WIFTY LIFESTYLE, HERE I COME. O



I'll call you when we've found students for you.

Thank you

o Mich





WHERE'S
NAGASE?

WHO'RE
YOU?

OH
TOP

WHO'S
THIS
STUDENT

WHAT?

NAGASE?

NAGASE

YKOW

WHO IS
NAGASE?

YOU'VE GOT
THE WRONG
PERSON!
I DON'T KNOW
ANY NAGASE!

SLAM



I GOT
MY
HEART
BROKEN
AGAIN

I NEED
YOUR USUAL
SHOULDER
TO CRY ON
MAN

THE MALE
TOLD THE GIRL
HOW MUCH I

FEARING LOVE HER
HE SHOT ME
DOWN





DEAR MANAGER,

I'M WRITING YOU THIS POSTCARD BECAUSE I CAN'T GET THROUGH YOUR CELL PHONE. HOW HAVE YOU BEEN SINCE, UM, YOU KNOW? I HOPE YOU'RE DOING FINE. NEXT MONTH I'LL COME AND VISIT YOU. I WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN, TO TALK TO YOU. PLEASE CALL ME.

WHOW!
THE
POSTCARD
SAID A LOT.

I hope you're doing good
next month. I want and visit you
I want to see you again. To talk
to you. Please call me.

Yours
Maki-sensei

I JUDGE
ILL FIND IT
TO THE CL
LANDLADY
TOMORROW.

SHE SENT
THE SORT
OF THING
HOW STUPID
IN THE
TRASH CAN.
HOPE



WHY
TRY
STUCK UP
ON
SOMETHING

SHE
HADN'T
BEEN
ABLE TO
GET A
HOLD
OF HIM.

IS HE
WORKING
HARD?

WHAT DID SHE
MEAN BY
"HOLD ON."
YOU KNOW?

IS SHE
HOLDING
HIM?

LONG-
DISTANCE
RELATION-
SHIP, HAD
SHE SAID ...

That's
for sure



ANOTHER
LARGE-SIZED
LETTER?
I'M SO SORRY
DEARS!

WHAT'S
GOING ON,
NABARE-
KUN?
HAGAHINO?

FROM
MITSURU-CHAN
THAT'S
NABARE-KUN'S
GIRLFRIEND
SHE LIVES
IN ARIKATA.

OH, HUH

HE NEVER
BROUGHT GIRLS
HOME, EITHER.
SUCH A DEVOTED
BOYFRIEND?

NABARE-KUN
THAT KINDSOME BOY
HE SHOWS NOT ONE,
BUT TWO ROOMS
AT A TIME.
SEEMS TO BE
SEEKING A THIRD ROOMMATE

ARE THEY
IN A LONG-
DISTANCE
RELATIONSHIP?

A LOVER, ONE,
TOO.
SHE USED TO
VISIT HIM
FREQUENTLY.
ONE WHO
ON A SOLID

BUT WHY HADN'T
NABARE-KUN
BEEN MARRIED
YET? I WONDER IF
SOMETHING
HAPPENED.

OH.



Well, I
just
want
to
help
Nashida
with
her
shutter
bug.

WHENEVER WE RAN
INTO EACH OTHER
ON THE STREET
HE'D HELP ME
CARRY WHATEVER
I WAS CARRYING

WHOA

HE'S ALSO KIND
ONCE, HE FIXED
MY SHUTTER
AFTER A TYPHOON
Blew IT AWAY

As someone greatly into the Japanese media (anime, manga, a board game, etc.) for me it's a little hard to imagine that there has been others in the world and the world is not



HE SAYS HE'S
A JUNIOR
AT OUR COLLEGE

SOUNDS
LIKE A
DECENT GUY.

WELL, WELL.

NASHIDA
MOMENT...



Well, I
just
want
to
help
Nashida
with
her
shutter
bug.

NASHIDA!

WELL,
I WOULDN'T
GIVE MUCH
CREDIT
TO WHAT
THE OLD MAN
SAYS

A HANDSOME
ONE, TOO



I KIND OF
WANTED
TO SEE
WHAT HE
LOOKED
LIKE.

He just
sneaked it



HAH.
I'M
PRETTY SURE
HE HAS
A KIND HEART.

FULL OF
LIFE?
SURE?

SURE?

SERIOUS?

FUNNY BUT?

WHAT KIND
OF BUT
IS HE?



Nagase Masahiko

LETTERS?

THEY'RE
NOT MY
THINGS!

AH!
THEY'RE ALL
ADDRESSED
TO NAGASE
MASAHICO.

Nagase Masahiko

WHAT?

COULD

BOOKS,

LETTERS.

I don't
notice at all.

OH,
HE MUST
HAVE LEFT
THIS BOX
BEHIND.

Shutsuma Haruhiko

LONG-
DISTANCE
RELATION-
SHIP, RIGHT?

THE LETTERS
ALL COME
FROM
NATSUKI.

STILL,
LETTERS
IN THE
ELECTRONIC
AGE?

SHUT MYSELF
DOWN THERE
AFTER BEING
HIT AND
GETTING OFF
THE PHONE
WITH MYSELF
ALL ON
THE SAME DAY

WHOA!

Q.Q

just got home

Remember when I told you in the phone room that I
kept a lot to myself, yesterday and today with you
I had a lot to tell I didn't want you for the house
it would be a waste if I want to sleep
I told the writing machine letter
Let's go to bed right now

your
lettering
machine

The last time I came over
you made a hole in your sheet and
I tried to fix it, you know, by
stapling a bunny-shaped
band to sleep

THE BUNNY
IS A
PIST NOW.

YOU'RE PROBABLY WONDERING WHY I WRITE YOU LETTERS
WHEN YOU CALL AND TEXT ME ALL THE TIME.

WELL, IT'S BECAUSE WHEN I WRITE YOU
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE ON MY MIND.
WRITING LETTERS, READING THEM, WAITING FOR YOU
TO REPLY—THE WHOLE PROCESS MAKES ME THINK
OF YOU.
THAT'S WHY I KEEP WRITING.

HOW ABOUT YOU WRITE ME ONCE IN A WHILE?
WHEN YOU'RE THINKING OF ME, THAT IS! ☺

HE DID
WRITE BACK.

You took it out of your pile of
letters! How nice! Mine's older than
last year, didn't you?

Wow!
I got your postcard!

But since it came from someone who
wasn't really about writing letters (yet),
it's special! ☺ & treasure it! ☺

OH

AFTER SECRETLY OBTAINING
HIS DRIVING
LICENSE, HE PICKED
HER UP
FOR A DRIVE.

ACTUALLY,
HE HAS
NO SENSE
OF
DIRECTION.

HE WOULDN'T
HOLD HANDS
WITH HER
IN PUBLIC.

BUT HE'D
SLOW
DOWN
FOR HER.

HE
LIKES
SUMMER

HE
LIKES
GOING
BARE-
FOOT

HIS
FAVORITE
MOVIE...

HIS
FAVORITE
SONG...

HIS
FAVORITE
COLOR...

NEVER HADN'T
KNOWN ONE
FOR CUTTING
BECAUSE
HE THOUGHT
THEY WERE
THE ROOM DARK.

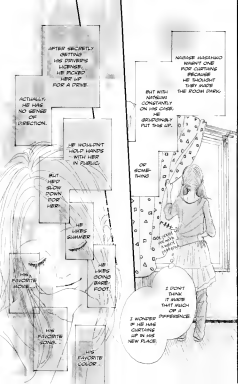
BUT WITH
ANYONE
CONSTANTLY
ON HIS CASE,
HE
GRUDGELY
PUT THEM UP.

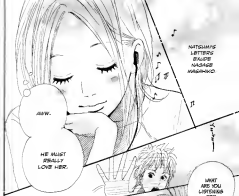
OR
SOME-
THING

PLEASE
DO NOT
TELL
ANYONE
ABOUT
THIS

I DON'T
THINK
IT WOULD
TAKE MUCH
OF A
PREFERENCE.

I WONDER
IF HE HAS
CUTTING
UP IN HIS
NEW PLACE.





ATTEMPTS
LETTERS
BLADE
MAGGE
MAGGE-NO

AWW.

HE MUST
FINALLY
LOVE HER.

WHAT
ARE YOU
LISTENING
TO?



YOU'RE
GONNA
BE LATE
FOR CLASS

OH, THAT?

IT'S
MAGGE-
MAGGE-NO.

HEY, MA!

THAT
RESEMBLES
HER.

And I thought
it was hard to
figure out if it
was the same
person or not.



DID THEY
FINALLY
GET IN
TOUCH?

WHAT HAPPENED
TO THAT
POSTCARD?

HOW DID
THINGS
GO?



EXCUSE
ME.



DIDN'T
KANA-
MADARA-KUN
LIVE HERE?

OH, WOW!
SHE'S
EXACTLY
LIKE I
PICTURED
HER!

AWWW

I SEE

I DIDN'T
KNOW
HE HAD
MOVED

THAT POSTCARD
MUST HAVE
UNSETTLED YOU.
SORRY
ABOUT THAT.



THAT'S IT! I'VE GOT IT!
I'VE GOT IT! I'VE GOT IT!
I'VE GOT IT! I'VE GOT IT!

COULD
SHE
BE...

NATHAN,
DAD?



HE DIDN'T
CALL YOU
BACK?

AL



I CAN'T
BELIEVE
SHE'S
REAL.

Oh, that
wouldn't be...

THE
LITTLE
ONE IS...



SEE
YOU.

GO
THAT IS
NATHAN
IN THE
FLASH.



WHY
DID YOU
GUYS
BREAK
UP?

THEY
BROKE UP
I THOUGHT
AS MUCH.



NO,
WE
BROKE
UP.



BECAUSE
I CHEATED
ON HIM.



WEL, THAT'S
WHAT
I HEARD
FROM MY
LANDLADY.

WEREN'T
YOU
TOTALLY
IN LOVE
WITH EACH
OTHER?



I WAS
LOVE,
NOW.

BUT
THAT DAY
HE ACTUALLY
CAME
FOR ME.

SO I
WENT ON
A TRIP
WITH
ANOTHER
GUY

ON MY
BIRTHDAY
THIS YEAR,
IN THE
WINTER

MAKING
SAY
HE MIGHT
NOT BE
ABLE TO
SEE ME..

HUH?

SHE
DID?

EXCUSE
ME?

NO WAY?

AND ALL
THAT TIME,
I WAS WITH
ANOTHER
GUY

HE MUST
HAVE BEEN
WORRIED DECK
BECAUSE HE
COULDN'T GET
IN TOUCH
WITH ME.
I THINK HE EVEN
TRIED TO LOOK
FOR ME

A black and white comic book page from "The Dark Knight Returns". The scene depicts Batman's dramatic return. In the center, Batman stands with his back to the viewer, looking towards a city skyline at night. He is wearing his iconic suit and cowl. To his left, a large speech bubble contains the text: "SHE CAN ALLOW IN REGRET FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE! SEE IF I CARE!". To his right, another large speech bubble says: "WHAT THE HELL?". Below this, a smaller speech bubble reads: "WHAT A LIE!".

The word "RUSTLE" is written in large, stylized letters multiple times across the page, indicating the sound of Batman's cape or armor. At the bottom right, there is a small speech bubble that says: "SHE CREATED ON PAPER".

RUSTLE

SHE CAN ALLOW IN REGRET FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE! SEE IF I CARE!

RUSTLE

WHAT THE HELL?

WHAT A LIE DOWN!

SHE CREATED ON PAPER

RUSTLE

A black and white comic book page from "The Dark Knight Returns". The scene depicts Batman's return. At the top left, a speech bubble says "SHE CAN ALLOW IN REGRET FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE! SEE IF I CARE!". Below it, another speech bubble says "WHAT A LIE!" followed by "WHAT THE HELL?". In the center, a character with long hair and a cape is shown from behind, looking down at two speech bubbles that say "WHAT A LIE!" and "SHE CREATED ON PAPER". To the right, a large speech bubble contains the word "RUSTLE" repeated three times in a stylized font. At the bottom right, another speech bubble says "RUSTLE". The background shows a dark, industrial setting with pipes and structural elements.

RUSTLE

SHE CAN ALLOW IN REGRET FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE! SEE IF I CARE!

RUSTLE

WHAT THE HELL?

WHAT A LIE!

SHE CREATED ON PAPER

RUSTLE



TOSS

POOR
NAGASE
MASAHITO!



HOW AM I
FEELING
NOW?

WAIT



WE HAD
DINNER
IN THE
ROOM.

THAT
DAY.

I
DREAMED
OF
NAGASE
MASAHITO.





IF YOU'VE GOT
TIME TO SPARE,
HELP ME
PUT THIS UP ON
THE BULLETIN
BOARD!

WELL IT'S
LATELYTIME, IT'S
PROBABLY
AT THE
CAFETERIA.

WELL THEN
YOU'VE GOT TO
GO TO THE
CAFETERIA.

WHY
CAN'T I
FIND HIM?

WHAT?

YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR
MANGA
MANGA?

HEY!
WHAT?

WHAT DO YOU
EXPECT?
THERE ARE
THOUSANDS
OF PEOPLE
ON THE
CAMPUS.

WELL THEN
YOU'VE GOT TO
GO TO THE
CAFETERIA.



WHY ARE YOU
LOOKING
FOR HIM?
HE'S A
STRANGER.

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT TO
MEET HIM
FOR?

I JUST
WANT TO
SEE HIM.

WHAT
FOR?

WHEN
WILL I
GET TO
SEE
YOU?

WHERE
COULD
YOU BE?

WHERE
ARE
YOU?

YOU
EXIST.
RIGHT?

THE
BULLETIN
BOARD!!

POSSIBLE
MURDER CASE

MURDER

I JUST SAW HIM
IN FRONT OF
THE BULLETIN
BOARD

FOR REAL?





OLD HABITS
DIE HARD

WHY?
DIDN'T YOU
HELP ME
HONEY?

NOT YOUR
CURRENT
PLACE,
YOUR
OLD ONE

WHEN
HAD
THAT?

WHY?

There
wasn't
I'm
talking
out

There
wasn't
I'm
talking
out

I've got
a piece of
a light
with a piece



I'VE
FOUND
YOU.

THERE
YOU ARE.
NAGASE,
NAGASE.

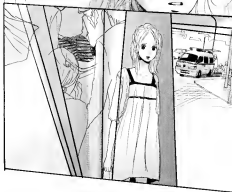




I'VE
FINALLY
FOUND
YOU.

W-

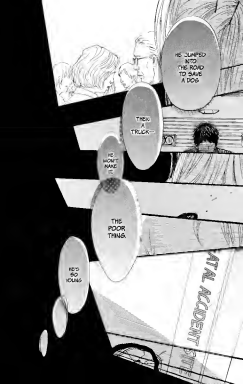
WAIT!





WHAT?

THAT BOY
IS STILL
IN
COLLEGE.



HE JUMPED
INTO
THE ROAD
TO SAVE
A DOG

THERE
A
TRUCK

HE
WOULDN'T
HAVE
IT

THE
POOR
THING

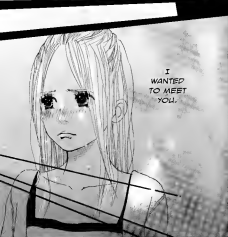
HE'D
GO
HOMES

ATL ACCIDENT



I
NEVER
GOT TO
MEET
YOU





DEAR NAGASE
KASHIRO-SAN,

I THINK
I'M IN
LOVE
WITH YOU.



LONG
TIME
NO SEE,
ERIKO

HEY

BECAUSE
THAT
PERSON
IS NO
LONGER
HERE.

I'M WAITING
A LETTER
TO
NO ONE.

SUPPER.

WHAT
WERE YOU
DOING?

I was
over there
and was

OH, YOU'RE
OFFICIALLY
A TUTOR
NOW?

Yes, I
am.

NOT TODAY.
MY JOB
STARTS
TODAY.

LET'S GO
DOWNTOWN.

I HARDLY
KNOW YOU.

FROM MADDEN SITE

NABAGE
MADAMMO-
SIN.

JUST THE
OTHER DAY
A COLLEGE
STUDENT.

AGGRAVATED
ALWAYS
SUPPORT
HONG.

I'VE NEVER
EVER MET YOU
BEFORE.
WHAT IS
YOUR
NAME?

AND I
WANTED YOU
TO GET TO
KNOW ME.

I WANTED
TO GET
TO KNOW
YOU.

I WANTED
TO TALK
TO YOU.

I DID
WANT TO
MEET
YOU,
THOUGH.



WHAT ELSE
COULD IT BE
IF NOT LOVE?

FOR A
YOUNG MAN
THE COLLEGE
STUDENT
PULLED A
SHADE POET

THE DOG
WAS
SHADE, TOO

BUT THAT
ACCIDENT
HAD A HAPPY
OUTCOME

IF I'D HAD
THE CHANCE
TO MEET
YOU

NO, I'M
FINE

DO YOU
HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS?

YOUR STUDENT
IS A GUY
IN THE
SECOND YEAR
OF MIDDLE
SCHOOL.

YOU'LL BE
TUTORING HIM
IN ENGLISH
AND CHEMISTRY.
NEEDS HIS
HOMESCHOOL

HOMESCHOOL DUBA



WELL, THEN,
YOU'LL START
ON MONDAY.

...I WOULD
HAVE FALLEN
IN LOVE
WITH YOU
FOR SURE.

YES,
THANK YOU.
IF YOU'LL
EXCUSE ME.



NO, NO.
I'M
SORRY.

GOSH!
I'M
SORRY.

BUM—P

RTG B X

AH!



PUSH
UP





I DON'T THINK
YOU NOTICED
BECAUSE
YOU LEFT
JUST
LIKE THAT.

BACK THEN,
YOU DROPPED
YOUR
KEY CHAIN.

YOU HAD
TO GO
TO THE
HOSPITAL.

DIDN'T WE
BUMP INTO
EACH OTHER
HERE
A WHILE
BACK?

OR,
THAT WAS
THOUGHTFUL
OF YOU.
THANK YOU.

GOOD THING
WE MET AGAIN.
I'VE BEEN
LOOKING
ALL OVER
FOR YOU.



OUT OF
THE
HOSPITAL
ALREADY?

OR, IF
IT ISN'T
KAGASE-
KUN!



HEH
IT'S NOT LIKE
I HAD TO
STAY AT THE
HOSPITAL.

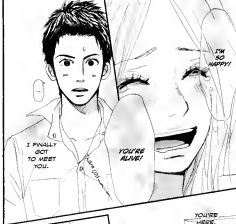


I JUST GOT
MY LEG
SWITCHED UP
IS ALL.

SURE AM
SORRY I HAD
TO TAKE
A BIT OF
A BREAK.

ARE YOU
BACK
IN SHAPE?







COULD I HAVE
YOUR ADDRESS?
I'D LIKE TO
WRITE YOU
LETTERS.

WHY
LETTERS?

WE CAN
JUST
MEET UP,
RIGHT?

SHUT

I TOLD
YOU
I'D FALL
IN LOVE
WITH
YOU.

(The End)

The much-awaited romance one-shot of epic proportions!

Colored splash. 80 pages

*When you're in love,
you view the world
in a new way—
it's sparkling, yet fragile...*

A lingering world, a lasting thought

三日月

diaroma

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Series

★ Flash

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LOVE IS
NOTHING...

BUT AN
ILLUSION...



MATSUSHIMA!











THAT MAN WOULDN'T COME UP WITH SOMETHING LIKE THAT.





AH!



What
didn't our
teacher
say?

Am I good
or am I
good?

I'M NEVER
LETTING YOU
BORROW
MY BOOKS
AGAIN!



HAVE A
LOOK, TOO,
SHIMOMURA-
SAN,
AT MY BOOK
OF ART!

What did our first
teacher say?



FLASH







I DON'T THINK
I'VE EVER
SEEN
THAT LOOK
ON HIS FACE.





Since club activities take place after school hours, those students who aren't in any clubs go home right away, before the boys. "Go home club!"





YES,
YOU DON'T
HAVE
A LIFE.

I HAVE
TOO MUCH
TIME ON
MY HANDS.
TRUE.



YOO-HOO,
KIDZ!



I'M PLAYING
WITH
THESE KIDS

It's almost
time to go

YOU CARE
FOR REAL

HEH
NATSUMI

It's almost
time to go

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

HEH ABOUT
NATSUMI



OH! IT'S THE
BALL WITH
THE MESSAGE
FROM OUR
LOWERCASE-
KIDS

It's almost
time to go



SECRET

WANT TO
JOIN US?



It's almost
time to go

TACKLE



WHAT
A KID.





CHIE-CHIE,
ARE YOU
KATOU-KATOU'S
GIRLFRIEND?



WHY ARE
YOU A
FRIEND?

WHY?
NO.

YOU'RE
GIRLFRIEND!

MOPI!



I HAVEN'T
MOVED
THIS ALIGH
FOR A
LONG TIME.



HAVE YOU
DONE IT?





WHY DID
MY HEART
GIVE
A BEAT?

OF
COURSE
NOT.

WERE YOU
WATCHING
HER, PRINCE?

HEARD?

WHY DID I
GET
FLUSTERED
OVER
THE FETTERED
DANCER?

ANY-
BODY...

IS THERE
ANY ONE
IN PARTICULAR
HE HAS THE
MOTS FOR?

...

ALL
GROUPS





IT'S THAT
SORRY
NIE-OAH
AGAIN.

YES.

WHO?

ABOUT
WHAT?

ME?



NO
WAY.

I WAS
JUST
PROVING
BY



ON EDGE
OVER
KATON?



NO.



Diorama

CAN'T
BE.

NOPE.

I...

FINALS









OWW.

Was the tough guy talk part of the act?

Stop showing off. It's not like you.

Ha ha ha!

Proving your strength, eh?

GLOCK



TOLD
YOU SO.



NO.

Whatever Corner #2

There's something I
have to mention about
"Dorama". The deadline
was at the end of
the year. In the winter.

Anyway, how should I
put it? OK, I'll be
honest. I didn't make it.
See, I'm honest.

I had the gall to submit
this story very past its
due date. The next day,
my editor Mr-san said
to me, "That was the
first time I had a
severe case of butter-
flies in the stomach."

We're talking about
Mr-san here. He who'd
been through hell and
made it out alive. And
I gave him butterflies.

It's hard being an
editor, don't you think?

THERE'S JUST
NO WAY
I HAVE A CRUSH
ON KATOU,
RIGHT?!





Diorama



THE
PICTURE
WE TOOK
THAT DAY.



TO LIKE
HIM.



ANYONE
THAT
WAS
WHEN I
STARTED





...CAN I
HAVE
THAT?



HERE'S
THE ONE
WITH HIM
MAKING
A FACE



Ah
ha!

THANKS

of
course!



I CAN'T BELIEVE
I'M GETTING
WORRIED UP
OVER A
MOMENT
IN THE PAST,
BACK WHEN I
FELT NOTHING
FOR HIM!



WE'RE
TOGETHER
NOW



I'VE
FORGOTTEN
THE ONE...







TOO
EMBER-
RASSING.

I WISH
IT'S JUST
SO UN-
EXPECTED,
HE LIVES
HON.

I FEEL
TOO
SHY
TO
TELL
HIM.



IF I DO...

HOW WILL HE REACT?



SHOULD I TELL HAMP



STUDENT UNION IS COMING—

HOW WAS THE TEST?



HAMP

KATOLL





IF GIFTING
TURNED DOWN
THEY CAN
NO LONGER
TALK!



IF I REFUSE
NOT TELL HIM
THE TRUTH.



The best
I can do
today!



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WITH
STAYING
THE ONLY
ONE
LEFT



THINKING
NOTHING
WAS GOING



I CAN SAY
THE SAME
ABOUT YOU.

YOU REALLY
HAVE NO LIFE.
HA.
WATCHING
YOU'VE BEEN
COMING HERE
EVERY WEEK
SINCE THE
START OF
THE BREAK.



OH,
HA.

SUMMER
VACATION
IS ALMOST
OVER.





Oh, yeah!
Is it true
some girl
declared her
love to you
last term?



NOW WOULD YOU
IF YOU LIKED
SOMEBODY ELSE



NAME

boom

THEY'RE PROBABLY GETTING READY THE FIREWORKS FOR TOMORROW'S FESTIVAL.

THE FUTURE OF

WHAT WERE
THEY?

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IT'S
INCREDIBLE.



THE WORLD
SEEMS TO
SPARKLE,
UNLIKE
ANYTHING I'VE
EVER SEEN
BEFORE.



WHEN I'M
WITH
KATOH.



YOU
LIKE?

IS
THAT
GIRL...



WHO...



IF I
ASK YOU
THAT?

IS IT
OK...



They
are all
the same,
right?



WHAT?

WILL
FORGIVE...



YOUR
PLAN

DOY
THE
ME?

TELL
ME
YOU
LIKE
ME!



YOU
LOVE
ME!

IS
THIS?



HUH? THE
SCHOOL
FESTIVAL?



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At last!

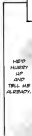
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— Inagawa



ANOTHER
ABOUT?



I would not not
want the
whole thing
to be

is

on you



NO,
PARRY UP
WITH THE
DECO-
RATIONS!

WE CAN GO
TO THE
KANTON
STAND
AND THE
CRÊPES
AFTER

GO! DEFINITELY
THE CRÊPES!

OH,
THERE'S
AN OVEN
STAND,
TOO!
WANT TO
TRY THAT?

Yuki



ALL THIS
KITCHEN



OH, HAVE
BREAD
AND YOUR
ABOUT





AH.







HE WASN'T
LOOKING
AT ME.





IT WAS
ALL
IN MY
HEAD.

KATON
LIVES
IN...

NOT.











THAT MAKES US
HEARTBREAK
BUDDIES THEM?



HELLO

BACK TO
BEING FRIENDS
FOR US.

NO
HELPING
IT.



HELLO?

THE WAY
I USED
TO.

I'LL ACT
NORMAL.

I WAS
DELETED.



Close



SOONER
OR LATER,
THEIR
FEELINGS
WILL GO
AWAY.



AND THINGS
WILL GO
BACK TO
THE WAY
THEY USED
TO BE.



NORMAL
IS THE
WAY
TO GO.





Drop it,
you broke
the ball



WHAT DID
YOU MEAN BY
HEART BREAK
BUDGET?



I WOULDN'T
HAVE
PESSED YOU
FOR THE
MOONING TYPE



I'm
being
normal

WHY
ARE YOU
SAILING
SO FAST?

SUSPICIOUS





I CAN'T
ACT
NORMAL...



IT'S
SCHOOL
COUNSELOR
AND
SHE'S
THE
ONE
WHO
SAID
I
WAS
GAY.

BY THE
WAY,

CAN I
BORROW
YOUR
HISTORY
TEXT?

RITSUKIWA,
WHAT HAVE YOU
BEEN UP TO
THOSE LAST
SQUADS OF
SATURDAYS?



Tail

HEY.

Are you
up yet?

I'LL NEVER
BE ABLE
TO GET
OVER HIM.







WATCH THEM
THEY'RE NOT
COMING HOME
ANYMORE!





WHY
CAN'T I
GET RID
OF MY
FEELINGS?





I'M SUCH
AN IDIOT.



TRYING TO
GET
OVER HIM
IS NEXT TO
IMPOSSIBLE.

AREN'T AN
ILLUSION
OR A
PASSING
FANCY.

MY FEELINGS
FOR KATCH...

OF COURSE
THEY WON'T
GO AWAY
EASILY.





















SO...

RUFOL,
CAN YOU TAKE
A PICTURE
OF ME
SOME TIME?

WHAT
FOR?

I WANT TO SEE
WHAT MY FACE
LOOKS LIKE
WHEN I'M
WITH THE GUY
I LIKE

...



THAT
SPARKLY
WORLD
REALLY
DOES
EXIST.

《The End》





Tsuki ni Nare Miru ka

Does the Moon Dream?

I HAVE A
DREAM.



WILL IT SLIP
THROUGH MY
FINGERS?

WILL I
REACH IT?

CAN I
GRASP IT?





LIKE MR. KITCHEN IS A SECOND-YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL. DIFFERENT SCHOOL, THOUGH.

I'LL WAIT FOR A BIT LONGER.

MAYBE HE CAN'T MAKE IT TODAY.





Does the Moon Dream?





Does the Moon Dream?



WE GO TO
DIFFERENT
SCHOOLS.



WE
SHOULDN'T
TALK TO
EACH
OTHER.



PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL ENTRY

WINTER COURSE

AND WE
HAVE
BEEN
COMING
UP.



I DON'T
MEAN TO
SEND HIM
THAT
TEXT.

IT'S ALL
BECAUSE
I CAN'T GET
HIM OUT
OF MY HEAD.

THANKS FOR
HELPING ME
GET HIS
NUMBER.

NO
PROBLEM,
TRY TEXT-
ING HIM, ♪

Text...

EVEN THOUGH
WE GO
TO THE SAME
GRAM SCHOOL.







IT'S NOT
ENOUGH
FOR ME.

SPENDING CAN'T
COME DOWN
ENOUGH.



SOMETIMES,
I DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO
WITH MY LIFE.

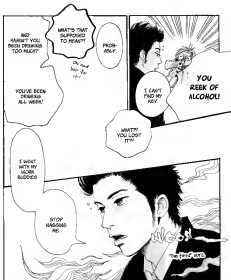


ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT YOUR
BOYFRIEND?

YES.

Does the Moon Dream?





Does the Moon Dream?



I COULDN'T FIND WORK, BUT IN MY SENIOR YEAR,

YOU'RE GOING BACK TO YOUR HOMECOWN IF YOU CAN'T FIND A JOB.

LET THEM.





A
FRAGMENT
OF MY
DREAM.

I
COULD
SEE...

AT THE
TIME, I'VE
NOT YET
GIVEN...

Does the Moon Dream?

Shirley Collins





I
CAN'T
KEEP
DOING
THIS.



POORER,
YOUNGER.

They
say
(Fm)

ON
CHRISTMAS
EVE?

I WONDER
IF IT'LL SHOW
ON THE 25TH.



IF IT SHOWS
ON THAT DAY,
YOU'LL SEE FROM
LONGAWAY
FOR SURE.

I HEAR
MY BETS
ARE ON.



I
KNOW
THAT.

KYOKO-KUN
SPEAKING IT
WITH HIS
GIRLFRIEND.



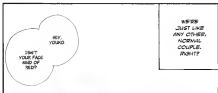
OWN
THE

GROUP
THAT
DREAM

REACH
IT?

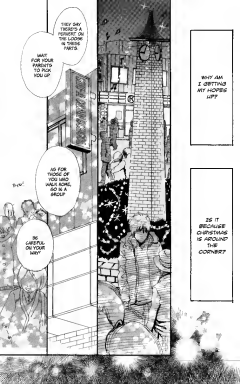
WILL IT
SLIP
THROUGH
MY
FINGERES?











WAIT
FOR YOUR
PARENTS
TO PICK
YOU UP

THEY SAY
THERE'S A
PERSON ON
THE LOOSE
IN THESE
PARTS.

AS FOR
THOSE OF
YOU WHO
WALK AROUND
SO IN A
GROUP

BE
CAREFUL
ON YOUR
WAY

WHY AM
I GETTING
MY HOPE
UP

IS IT
BECAUSE
CHRISTMAS
IS AROUND
THE
CORNER



Does the Moon Dream?





OOOPS.
I GOT
AHEAD OF
MYSELF.



WITH
YOU.
THAT IS.

SO

I
THINK

AT
LEAST.

TO CELEBRATE
CHRISTMAS
WITH THE
PERSON
YOU LIKE

IT MIGHT
BE NICE..



OH, BUT
I KIND OF
LIKE THE
ATMOSPHERE.



YEAH

OH, SAME
AS ME



B4-DAY

ACT

SLEEP
THINK

BY THE WAY,
ITOSH-SAN, WHICH
HIGH SCHOOL
ARE YOU
ATTENDING?



LET'S
DO OUR
BEST

Whatever Corner #3

"Dark as Kane a
Marka" is a story
set in the dead of
winter but published
in this anthology in
midsummer. I wrote it
quite some time ago.
Brings back the
memories.

Just before
submitting this short
story for publication,
I lost the manuscript!
I checked with the
editorial department,
thinking they might
have it, but they
didn't.

All hell broke loose,
until I found it
half a day later
in my own house—in
nobody's surprise.
(I'm so disorganized!)

And that's the story
behind this particular
short's inclusion.
One heck of one, too,
don't you think?



LET ME

IT WOULD
CONVINCE
YOUR IT

NO MORE
HESITATION.

THERE'S
NO TURNING
BACK.

MY HAND
IS MADE.

AND THEN
IN SPRING,
I'LL
TELL YOU
HOW
I FEEL.



ME

POGOLOP



YOU CAN
DO IT?

CHAMP



Does the Moon Dream?

AM I
DREAMING?

THANK YOU

YOU
SEEM
REALLY
HAPPY

YEAH

BECAUSE
THE HONEYMOON
WAS YOURS

IF ONLY
THE WAY
HOME
WERE
SHORTER,
WE COULD
WALK
TOGETHER
TILL MUCH
LATER.

I'M GOING
HOME WITH
HISHEHE-KUN

AND WE'RE
HAVING A
CONVERSATION

WALK





WELL
MY HOUSE IS
JUST AROUND
THE BEND!
I'LL BE ALL RIGHT
ON MY OWN
NOW!
THANKS!

BYE!

**BYE
BYE!**

BYE!



DID HE
HEAR
WHAT I
SAID?

DID-



OR
CONSIDER
HE DID.

NO, I'LL
BRING YOU
TO YOUR
FATHER



IT'S
NOT
THAT.

LUL

LUL

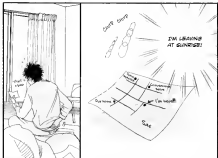


NO, GO
HOME!





Does the Moon Dream?



I'M
NOT GOING
HOME
UNTIL HE
BRING
ME TO

IF YOU
ASK ME
TO
COME
BACK.

I WILL
STAY
AWAY.

木 木 木

WAS HE
SLEEPING
RIGHT?

木 木 木

DID HE
PICK UP
HIS GIFT AT
THE GIFT
CLOVERSP?

木 木 木

WAS HE
WITH FOR
MONEY?

COME
AND GET
ME.

STEP
ON IT.

GO
SCHOOL.





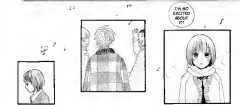
IT'S
CHRISTMAS
AND
TOMORROW
RIGHT?

YOU
KNOW...



I HAVE
A DATE WITH
KYOGI
TOMORROW.

REALLY?
THAT'S
GREAT!



I'M SO
EXCITED
ABOUT
IT!





DO IT WITHIN
MY REACH

DO IT
WITHIN
MY
REACH

DO IT
WITHIN
MY
REACH

DO IT
WITHIN
MY
REACH



Does the Moon Dream?









Oh! Goodbye, you
really love me!

SLAM

HOLD IT
RIGHT
THERE!

YO

WHAT
THE HELL
WAS THAT
JUST
NOW?!

Don't
Ya' feel?

WHAT HAVE
YOU BEEN
UP TO?

WUH
WOOD
TUE

☆
79
3L
5F

WHY ARE
YOU SO
RELAXED?

AM I THE
ONLY ONE
THINKING
ABOUT
YOU?

AM I THE
ONLY ONE
FEELING
LOVELY?

AM I THE
ONLY ONE
WHO WANTS
TO WORK?

BOY



OF THE
GUY
I LOVED
DIDN'T
TREAT ME
AS HIS
ONLY
SPECIAL
ONE
IN HIS
LIFE...

I'D
HATE
IT.

I CAN'T
ACCEPT
A GUY
WHO
SAYS...

HE LIKES
TWO GIRLS
EQUALLY.

I WANTED TO
BE LOVED
AS MUCH AS
I LOVED.

WHEN
I SAID
I'D TREAT
SECOND
PEOPLE
FOR YOU.

I WAS
LYING.

I KNEW
IT WOULDN'T
FIG OUT.



A
GIRL WITH A
GOLDEN
POINTER.

A
CUTE
GIRL
AND
PUPPY.



A DREAM...

THAT'S LIKE
A MIRACLE.





CAN I
GRASP IT?

I like you,
Hachida-kun.
Please go out
with me.



Bye Bye Bye

IS IT
WITHIN MY
REACH?



WILL IT SLIP
THROUGH MY
FINGERS?





THE
WINTER
WONDERLAND
2010

Postscript

Thank you for reading
all the way to the end
Please keep supporting me.
All the best until next time, ~ ♡



Anko, a certain day in August, 2007.